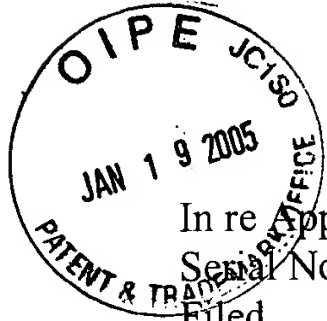


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Brandon A. Grooters
Serial No. : 09/575,767
Filed : May 22, 2000
Art Unit : 2173
Examiner : Brian J. Detwiler
Title : AUTOMATIC CHANNEL GENERATION FOR HOME
NETWORK SYSTEMS

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
DATED AUGUST 12, 2004**

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RENEA D. BERGGREN

DATED: JANUARY 13, 2005

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2004, for which the three month shortened statutory period for reply is set to expire on November 12, 2004. A three month extension of time has been submitted with this response along with the requisite fee. While it is believed that no further extension of time or any other additional fees are necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any needed extension of time and to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Response, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4882.

Consideration of the Amendment and Remarks that follow is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 12, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.